

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.R. No. 128  
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred S.R.  
No. 128 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO ACQUIRE THE DAM AND SPILLWAY  
OF LAKE WILSON FOR PUMPED-STORAGE HYDROELECTRICITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to encourage the  
Agribusiness Development Corporation to develop a plan to acquire  
the dam and spillway of Lake Wilson for pumped-storage  
hydroelectricity.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Hawaii Farm Bureau and one individual.

Your Committee finds that renewable energy is important to  
the State's energy goals and hydroelectric facilities can serve as  
a feasible alternative energy source to meet such goals. Your  
Committee further finds that hydroelectric facilities can provide  
the State with alternative energy options, as long as it is  
secondary to agricultural activities on agricultural lands.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting language requesting that any electricity and  
revenue generated from pumped-storage hydroelectricity  
be used primarily to support agriculture or agriculture  
programs; and



(2) Amending the title to remove the term "pumped-storage".

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 128, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 128, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Agriculture,

  
RUSSELL E. RUDERMAN, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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**Committee on Agriculture**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SR 128</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">AGL, WAM</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">3/31/15</div>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <small>2312</small></div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <small>2311</small></div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Hold <small>2310</small></div> <div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit <small>2313</small></div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
RUDERMAN, Russell E. (C)	X			
RIVIERE, Gil (VC)	X			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	X			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.				X
THIELEN, Laura H.	X			
WAKAI, Glenn				X
SLOM, Sam				X
<b>TOTAL</b>	4	0	0	3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; text-align: center;">G. Riviere</div>				
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